

HOUSE BILL 502

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By: **Delegates McConkey and Fisher**
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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Video Lottery Terminals – State Legislators – Prohibited Acts**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a member of the Senate of Maryland or the House of
4 Delegates from holding a license issued in connection with the operation of
5 video lottery terminals; prohibiting a member from performing work or services
6 as an independent contractor for a certain licensee or an agent of the licensee;
7 and generally relating to the operation of video lottery terminals and members
8 of the Senate of Maryland and the House of Delegates.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – State Government
11 Section 9–1A–02(c)(1)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – State Government
16 Section 9–1A–05(d)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article – State Government**

22 9–1A–02.

23 (c) (1) This subtitle authorizes the operation of video lottery terminals
24 owned or leased by the State that are connected to a central monitor and control

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 system owned or leased by the State that allows the Commission to monitor a video
2 lottery terminal.

3 9-1A-05.

4 (d) (1) In this subsection, "owner" includes any type of owner or
5 beneficiary of a business entity, including an officer, director, principal employee,
6 partner, investor, stockholder, or beneficial owner of the business entity and,
7 notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle, including a person having any
8 ownership interest regardless of the percentage of ownership interest.

9 (2) An individual or business entity may not own an interest in more
10 than one video lottery facility.

11 (3) A member of the Senate of Maryland or the House of Delegates
12 may not:

13 (I) be an owner or an employee of any business entity that
14 holds a video lottery operation license;

15 (II) **HOLD ANY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; OR**

16 (III) **PERFORM WORK OR SERVICES AS AN INDEPENDENT**
17 **CONTRACTOR FOR A PERSON OR AN AGENT OF A PERSON THAT HOLDS ANY**
18 **LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.**

19 (4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection, an
20 individual or business entity may enter into a management agreement to operate a
21 facility located in Allegany County that it does not own, subject to the approval of the
22 Video Lottery Facility Location Commission and the State Lottery Commission.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2012.